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ONE MEMBER, A GOOD SILURIAN, WHO HAS JUST RETURNED FROM EUROPE HIMSELF, WILL
INTRODUCE THE SPEAKER OF THE EVENING. HE IS JOSEPH LILLY, WHO WAS NIGHT
FOREIGN EDITOR OF THE AP IN PARIS AND KNOWS EUROPE LIKE THE PROVERBIAL BOOK.
THE SPEAKER HIMSELF WILL BE -

SUTHERLAND DENLINGER

DENLINGER WAS A STAR REPORTER ON THE OLD WORLD-TELEGRAM AND WROTE FOR PM (and these
are Joe's words) "WHEN IT WAS MAKING GOOD HISTORY". HE SERVED WITH THE OFFICE OF WAR
INFORMATION IN ISTANBUL, CAIRO AND SOUTHERN EUROPE DURING THE WAR AND THEN BECAME
DIRECTOR OF UNRRA IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

More recently, he has been in Switzerland and France with the International Refugee
Organization, besides doing a great many articles for American publications.
Denlinger is expected to unburden himself of some knotty "beefs".

Between Lilly, Denlinger, a pleasant restaurant, good food, a fine bar and the right
price for dinner in New York, the evening promises to be one of the best.

HOSTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 29th in the Clubrooms: Monday, November 29th - Nola
Luxford; Tuesday, November 30th - Andy Rooney; Wednesday, December 1st - Adelaide
Kerr; Thursday, December 2nd - Steve Fulton

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RAILWAY PROGRESS

FOR NATIONAL SECURITY

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO LINES*****

According to members of the Overseas Press Club who are covering the United Nations Assembly, the current meeting in Paris at the Palais de Chaillot will end sooner than anticipated. Delegates and correspondents are worried about the present dock strike in New York and the difficulty of sailing back to the States.

Lewis Bown, associate editor of the Gallup Poll, indicates that Truman's victory shows a phenomenal parallel with Woodrow Wilson's in 1916. The popular vote percentage of the two was almost identical -- both won without carrying either New York or Pennsylvania.

Jimmy Young, publisher of the Star at Wilmington, Delaware, sold his interest in the 68-year old paper last week and resigned as publisher. He and Marjorie will continue to live in Wilmington but they will be in New York two or three days a week. Their address in Wilmington is 1301 Gilpin Avenue.

Reports from Member Stanley Swinton of the Associated Press, now en route home, point to Alexander MacDonald of AP, in Bangkok, who also publishes the Bangkok Post, as the only experienced journalist in Siam. Graham Jenkins in Indonesia for Reuter's and, before that with the Melbourne Argus, heads to London soon -- Noel Buckley replacing him.

Ken Likes of the Associated Press has replaced member Marc Purdue, now in New Delhi while Tom Masterson of AP is moving from Shanghai to Singapore, according to present plans.

Gene Currihan of the New York Times has returned to Palestine where he will have his headquarters at the Armon Hotel at Tel-Aviv... Gene expected to see Carter Davidson of the Associated Press in New York as they were both slated to have their leaves of absence in America at the same time. No sign of Davidson has been forthcoming, according to Gene, who wonders whether Fitzsimmons will remember seeing him in a Third Avenue pub.

Bill Costello of CBS in Tokyo has asked Bill Chaplin to find out for him about the details of the death of Mark Gayn's wife, Sally, who died recently. Everyone in the correspondents' corps in Tokyo was very fond of her and she was a good friend of Mrs. Costello. Pete Kalischer of the United Press told Bill about Mrs. Gayn's death. Would members knowing the circumstances of the death, get in touch with Costello at CBS in Tokyo or call the office so that Bill Chaplin can forward the information.

Costello writes that the OPC book "As We See Russia" is going great guns..which reminds us that members are urged to order their autographed copies from the club as soon as possible for special Christmas gifts..Bill C. is scheduled to be in the States at the end of 1949, not 1948...en route to New York he will probably spend six months in the Middle East and Europe.

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Bob Trout, NBC news commentator, was the White House announcer for CBS during the Roosevelt administrations. Leonard Lyons, in his column in the New York Post, gives an amusing incident about Bob, when he was campaigning with the President in the Middle West. Trout announced that the President would appear on the rear platform of the train and address the audience gathered there. The President did not appear-- Trout spoke desperately for 15 minutes until the train pulled out. Roosevelt had been listening on the radio, he explained later, and heard Trout's introduction. ... He just wanted to see what Trout would do if the President did not make an appearance. The bi-annual dinner of the Silurians, a group of men who worked on New York newspapers 25 years ago, will take place at the New York Athletic Club on November 29th. Many OPC members who belong to this illustrious group will be present.

HELP..... HELP..... A Mrs. Suhrawardy of Calcutta is looking for George Palmer and a Mr. Revenhold of the United Press who were in India during 1944 and 1945, or other correspondents there at the time. Will members having been in Calcutta during those years drop us a note to that effect??? Also will anyone knowing the whereabouts of the UP war correspondents call the office???

Gordon Fraser of the American Broadcasting Company will now emcee the television news-show over station WZJTV at 7 P.M. every night during the week... Gordon had been doing the show one night a week... Fritz Oppen of the ABC office in London has returned to England after a short leave in New York.

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Dora Miller, Rosette Hargrove of NEA and Ruth Constant of United Press were at the mid-season showing of Jacques Fath last week in Paris. Afterwards, they were catching a ride with Ruth Lloyd when her chariot broke down in the middle of the Avenue George V. The girls started pushing the black Dodge up the Avenue when the chauffeur of Dr. Bramuglia, Argentinian President of the Security Council, came to their rescue. Ruth says that the car is fixed but that the garage must have figured its own slice of the Marshall plan into the bill.

It is reported by OPC members in Paris that the OPC Local Gazette is read with avidity by the so-called big names who lounge around the lobby of the UN corridors. The editor has been told that the way they scan the pages would gladden the hearts of OPC members back here in New York...

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The following applications for membership in the Overseas Press Club of America have been received in the club. Please forward your suggestions, recommendations or complaints to Craig Thompson, Chairman of the Admissions Committee, in writing so that the Committee will have them for its next meeting.

ACTIVE:

RICHARD MOWRER, now in New York. Chicago Daily News assignment in Middle East and Europe from 1936 to 1948; 1936 to 1945, France; 1936, Spain, Italy and Poland, also 1937 and 1938; Poland, 1939; Balkans, 1939-40; 1940 to 1943, Egypt, Levant, Eastern Mediterranean; 1943-1945, Sicily, France and Italy; N.Y. Post correspondent in Middle East and Palestine from 1945 to 1948.

CHARLES P. SEAWOOD, NEA and Acme Newspictures. England, Africa, Italy and France as war correspondent for Acme Newspictures from June 1943 to July 1945.

GUEST:

PATRICIA DUNN HILL, Associated Newspapers, Ltd. of Australia. Stationed in New York since January 1944.

BACK IN CLUB AS ACTIVE MEMBER:

ELMER W. PETERSON, News commentator of the National Broadcasting West Coast network. With Associated Press for ten years and with NBC for one and a half years. For AP, Scandinavia, 1932; Germany, 1934; Spain, 1936-37, Chief of Bureau at Hongkong, 1938; Warsaw, 1939; Copenhagen, 1940; Budapest, 1940; for NBC, in London from December 1942 to May, 1944.

Ken Austin, member of the executive committee of the Financial Writers' Association and Joe Rosapepe of the AP World Desk, were busy people for the annual banquet of that organization last week. On Friday, Nov. 19th, Joe rushed across the stage in one of the acts of "The Financial Follies of 1948" -- complete with long hair, and shouted into the mike, "Yes, Yes, Yes" ... The Emcee asked him who he was. Joe replied, "A Russian Diplomat on Vacation." The financial writers made fun of themselves and blasted many big business heads. The chorus of one of the skits, entitled "Three Wise Bums" was "We read what the financial writers said... Now we haven't a nickel for booze or bread."

Joe Lilly, member of the Silurians, has just returned from a three months trip to Europe to attend the international council of Mayors at The Hague, Holland, and also to do some free lance writing. Joe traveled around western Europe, Scandinavia and England.



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More than 125 members of the Overseas Press Club and their guests attended the luncheon at the Hotel Sherry Netherlands in honor of Edwin L. James, managing editor of the New York Times. Seated at the head table were Wythe Williams, who introduced Mr. James; Henry J. Taylor; Lloyd Stratton, executive secretary of the Associated Press; Geoff Parsons, Jr., editor of the Paris edition of the N.Y. Herald Tribune; Barry Faris of the International News Service; Bill Brooks, vice president and director of News of the National Broadcasting Company; Jack Bisco of the United Press; John Daly of the Columbia Broadcasting Company; Otto Tolischus of the N.Y. Times; Tom Velotta of the American Broadcasting Company; Paul Nicholson of the Associated Press; Lowell Thomas, President of the Correspondents' Fund; Quincy Howe of CBS; James Gelett of UP; Harrison Forman, author of "Changing China" (his book was the jackpot of the day); Richard de Rochemont, producer of March of Time; and Bill Chaplin, President, who presided.

Wythe Williams said that when Edwin L. James arrived in France to report on the AEF, he wore such a fine uniform that the other correspondents called him "Dressy" James. But when the mud and dirt and rain had taken their toll, James became "Jimmy" to all his friends. Mr. Williams nominated Mr. James for the Hall of Fame and said that he had been and was the foreign correspondent and editor who had followed most closely the steps of Richard Harding Davis.

Mr. James, who returned from Europe several weeks ago, said that France is back to partisan politics, a perennial way for the French to conduct their national affairs, and that this is no fault of the Communists, who are no longer a danger in France. Frozen wages and rising prices are the reasons for the strikes today in that western European nation. The British are making willing sacrifices to speed up their production and their economy, according to the managing editor of the Times, while the position of the United States is strengthened in Europe by the Marshall Plan and the fear of Russia. The European countries are wondering what will happen to them if there is a war between the United States and Russia and this consideration colors their politics in many ways.

There is no re-building in Germany now and the blockade of Berlin has a sense of unreality about it, according to Mr. James, who said that the blockade is illegal. The United States is not expected to negotiate until the blockade is lifted and this stand has made an excellent impression in Europe, said James.

It was a refreshing thing to hear a studied analysis of the situation in Europe, based on solid reasoning and experience, said President W. W. Chaplin, when he thanked Edwin James for his speech. There were no startling statements and no great conclusions, but members went away, feeling that they had heard the kernel of the situation in European politics and the United Nations. Many of Mr. James' statements were found in columns and radio broadcasts in the days that followed the speech.

Hester E. Hensell, Editor

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